

On March 3, 2011 the U.S. Department of Justice Office of Justice Programs announce the availability of funding for the Second Chance Act Juvenile Mentoring program (*Catalog for Federal Domestic assistance number 16.812*)

. The purpose of this program is to provide employment assistance, substance abuse treatment, housing, family programming, mentoring, victims' support and other services to help adult and juvenile ex-offenders to transition successfully from incarceration to the community. OJJDP will provide grants to support mentoring and other transitional services essential to reintegrating juvenile offenders into their communities.

The application deadline is May 2, 2011

. Eligible applicants include state and local governments, institutions of higher education and other nonprofit organizations with 501(c)(3) IRS status. To request an application package, visit www.grants.gov

. For further information, contact the Justice Information Center at 1-877-927-5657, JIC@telesishq.com

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